Those Were the "Good Ole Days" When Radio Came to West Bountiful

In these days of advanced technology, we spend much of our time on cell phones, in front of the computer or TV, and listening to the radio while driving in our cars. When Radio first came to West Bountiful, it was the young boys who built them. Harold Muir remembered using a round oatmeal box with copper which they wound around it. A square of wood was used with a gem set in it. A very fine piece of copper wire, which they called a "Cat's Whisker," was moved over the gem to pick up the faint sounds of music from far away. He built sets for several families on 1000 North. Later, when tube sets came along, Frank Hatch remembered that Bonny Stringham built one for Jim Arbuckle, who would take it to the

Amusement Hall so anyone could come hear it.

The first sounds
Harold and others
remembered were very
faint and when they
could get a station as far
away as Missouri, it
would come in clearer
than a station from



California. Jim's radio was used one time, in the Amusement Hall as a fundraiser for the YM and YWMIA. Celia E. Merrill remembered Alvin Moss advertised with a calliope that there would be a charge of \$.25 admission to hear the radio. Even people from surrounding towns came to listen.

By the late twenties and early thirties, one could walk down the street, and not miss a word of a favorite program. Every home had a window open and a radio tuned to the popular programs of "Myrt and Marge," "Fibber McGee and Molly," "Amos 'n Andy," "Jack Benny," and others. Frank Hatch commented, "One thing about Radio, you could lean back and relax while you were listening and let your imagination go."

Celia Merrill recalled being one of the first families in West Bountiful to have a telephone. She said that it was a large box fastened on the wall with a smaller box attached to the bottom of it. There was a handle to turn to get the operator. When the operator answered, the person would tell her the number they wanted. Two round bells were at the top of the box and between the two bells was a tiny, little beebe that would tinkle against the two bells. She said that her family's ring was two long and one short rings. Each family had a different ring. Later they were able to ring the number themselves. West Bountiful, A Pictorial History.

Regularly Scheduled City Meetings

City Council: 1st & 3rd Tuesday of each month 7:00 p.m.

Planning & Zoning: 2nd & 4th Tuesday of each month as needed

Arts Council: 6:30 p.m. 1st Thursday Youth Council: 7:00 p.m. 4th Thursday Historic Commission: 7:00 p.m. 3rd Thursday

Don't Foul Up Our Water Systems with Pollutants

Storm runoff is precipitation from rain, snowmelt, and irrigation systems that flow over ground. As it flows it can pick up debris, chemicals, dirt and other pollutants and deposit them into storm (drain) sewer systems or water bodies such as Farmington Bay.

Anything that enters a storm (drain) sewer system is discharged untreated into water bodies we use for recreational uses such as swimming, fishing, hunting, etc. In some areas these lakes, rivers and streams are used for providing drinking water.

Please:

- Use pesticides and fertilizers sparingly.
- Repair auto leaks
- Dispose of hazardous waste, used auto fluid (anti-freeze, oil, etc.) and batteries at designated collection or recycling centers. Auto parts stores will usually take used oil at no cost. Interstate Batteries will recycle auto batteries for free. Wasatch Energy Recovery Facility in Layton will also take hazardous materials.
- Clean up after pets
- Use a commercial car wash or wash your car on a lawn or other unpaved area
- Properly dispose of excess paint
- Sweep up and properly dispose of construction debris like concrete and mortar

Backflow Assembly Required for Sprinkler Systems

Residents that use culinary water to irrigate their lawn are required to provide backflow protection on their sprinkler systems. These backflow assemblies require annual testing and test results need to be sent to the city offices by May 30.

Fertilizer injection systems fertilize lawns by injecting fertilizer into the sprinkler system. These systems are increasing in popularity and are required by state law to have a reduced pressure zone assembly installed and tested annually. Backflow assemblies prevent the possibility of contaminating our water system. Non-compliance will result in being disconnected from the city culinary system.

Water Conservation Tips

- ✓ Use Restrictive shower heads
- ✓ Never leave water running
- ✓ Water Outside between 6 p.m. and 10 a.m only
- Repair broken and leaking sprinkler valves, heads and pipes
- ✓ Set lawn mower to cut 3" high
- Turn off automatic sprinkler system prior to an expected rain storm
- Sweep driveways, sidewalks and gutters instead of hosing them down
- ✓ Adjust sprinkler heads to water only where needed.
- Additional conservation tips can be found at www.jvwed.com or www.conservewater.utah.gov.

West Bountiful City Spring Cleanup 2008

The city will be conducting the Spring Cleanup Saturday April 5th, thru Saturday, April 12, 2008 The cleanup will be done with large bins in the City Park. Residents of West Bountiful will be allowed to dispose of yard waste and miscellaneous cleanup material from their primary place of residence.

Please do not attempt to deposit any of the following materials as they will not be accepted!

✓Lead products of any kind	✓ Powdered or liquid waste	✓ Hazardous waste of kind
✓ Wood larger than 2'x2'x5'	√Chemical explosives	
✓ Lumber longer than 6'	√Highly volatile	✓ Whole Televisions
✓ Chemicals	material	✓ Barbed Wire
✓ Paint	✓ Explosives of any kind	√Commercial Waste
✓ Animal Remains	√Radioactive material	✓ Refrigerators or air
✓Tires		Conditioners w/freon

Please separate yard waste from other materials.

Yard waste and cleanup materials can be deposited in the following locations:

Site: West Bountiful City Park - (Bins only)

Dates: Saturday April 5th thru Saturday April 12th, 2008

Time: Saturday - 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Monday thru Friday 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Closed Sunday April 6th

Saturday April 12th - 8:00 a.m. until bins are full

Bins will be barricaded after hours. **DO NOT LEAVE TRASH AT BARRICADES.**

Cost: No Charge! WB Residence Only

Other: Driver's license will be checked to verify residency.

Scrap metal bin will be available for unwanted metal items.

When using the bins at the City Park, please follow instructions given by attendants. <u>Under no circumstances should you leave trash outside the bins or deposit-prohibited materials.</u> This has been a problem in the past and continued abuse may force the cancellation of the program. Where possible we encourage you to haul extra material to the Wasatch Energy Recovery Facility in Layton. Wasatch Energy will also take hazardous material.

We will stop dumping on Saturday April 12th when the bins are full! No matter what time it is.